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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 14, 1957

FROM : BSAO, Oklahoma City

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SUBJECT: ① CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

Rebulet to Atlanta 12/13/56 captioned
CITIZENS COUNCILS, IS - X.

Enclosed are copies of monthly summary
information submitted in accordance with instructions
in paragraph 4 of rebulet.

The Oklahoma City Office is opening a new
file captioned as above and in the future information
received concerning local organizations of the Citizens
Councils will be channelized to this file, to be
included in the monthly summary.

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

There has been no information appearing in the local press or from other public sources of information media concerning Citizens Councils in this area.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI 105-34237 Sub 35

DATE: February 15, 1957

FROM : SAC, Oklahoma City 105-292

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

Rebulets to Atlanta 12/13/56 and 1/30/57,
captioned CITIZENS COUNCILS, IS-X.

Enclosed is a monthly summary of information
concerning Citizens Councils in this Division.

The confidential informant who volunteered
information in enclosed memorandum on 1/18/57 to SA BYRON
E. MC FALL is PSI [redacted]

One copy of this memorandum is being submitted
for Bufile 105-41923, captioned OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF
CITIZENS COUNCILS, aka. IS-X.

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February 15, 1957

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

A confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on January 18, 1957, that GORDON HINES, Executive Vice President of the Oklahoma Association of Citizens Councils, was quite elated over a provision he claims to have found in the Oklahoma State Constitution which provides that "people in poor houses" cannot vote. He hopes to institute a lawsuit in an effort to have such provision include "people on relief." HINES states if successful he may prevent a large number of Negroes and white people from voting, and thus bring untold publicity to himself and eventually to the Citizens Councils. He thinks, according to informant, that such publicity will help recruit members for the Citizens Councils.

HINES also revealed that three substantial law firms had indicated they would handle the case, but informant hazarded the guess that they apparently do not know of HINES' connection with the Citizens Councils or they would not be so eager.

On February 9, 1957, the Daily Oklahoman, an Oklahoma City daily newspaper, printed an article captioned "Pensioner Vote Case Delayed," which is set forth as follows:

"Hearing on a city man's request to disenfranchise old-age pensioners Friday was continued to March 7 by Glen O. Morris, district judge.

"The decision came on a motion by George Miskovsky, state senator representing several such persons, in a courtroom crowded with pensioners.

"Gordon Hines, 419½ NW 6, filed the petition last week, alleging the state constitution prohibits persons supported by the state from voting. He wants a court order forcing election officials to prevent them from voting in the upcoming city election.

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"Miskovsky was allowed to enter the case as representative of various affected persons. First Hearing on the case will be held March 7, a date agreed upon by all parties. Judge Morris expects to be out of the city next week; Miskovsky insisted on having it set for a Thursday afternoon or Friday.

"In claiming there was no need to hurry the hearing, Miskovsky said:

"Our old folks have been drawing assistance for over 20 years. I don't know where he (Hines) has been or why all of a sudden he is interested in this matter.'

"When the brief court session ended, Miskovsky addressed the audience, told them of the judge's decision and urged them to return March 7."

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub 35)

DATE: 3/14/57

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (105-292)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

ReBulet to Atlanta 12/13/56.

Enclosed is the regular monthly summary concerning
CITIZENS COUNCILS, consisting of an original and
seven copies.

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

No information concerning captioned organization has been obtained since February 15, 1957, from a review of press notices or from informants, in Tulsa and Oklahoma City.

As of possible interest, it should be noted that the case which GORDON HINES filed in Oklahoma County to disfranchise old age pensioners was tried before State District Judge GLEN O. MORRIS on March 7, 1957. Numerous old age pensioners were in the courtroom and the matter was given a full hearing. HINES' attorneys contended the Constitutional provision prohibiting persons "kept in poor-houses" from voting would have the effect of disfranchising persons on relief or on old age pensions. Judge MORRIS decided the case against HINES, relying strictly on the wording of the Constitutional provision which says "kept in poorhouses". Judge MORRIS stated that persons on relief and old age pensioners are not "kept in poorhouses". Mr. HINES and his attorney, A. E. PEARSON, filed Notice of Appeal, according to local press dispatches.

During the hearing nothing was mentioned concerning the plaintiff's connection with any organization designed to defeat integration of races. During a television interview, however, HINES was asked if it were not true that his purpose in bringing the action was because of his stand concerning desegregation. He stated his only purpose in bringing the suit was that he has long been a proponent of Constitutional government; that he thinks the Constitution should be construed strictly and that his interpretation of the above mentioned provision is that it has the effect of disfranchising voters on relief and on pension. He stated he intended to appeal the case.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237 Sub-35)

DATE: 4-12-57

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (105-292)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS, OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Re Bulet to Atlanta 12-13-56

Enclosed is the regular monthly summary concerning Citizens Councils, consisting of an original and seven copies.

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

There has been no information appearing in the local press
nor has any information been received from public sources of information
concerning the Citizens Councils in this area.

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cc Liaison Section
cc Mr. Kelly

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Date: May 27, 1957

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Enclosed herewith for your information
is a copy of a memorandum prepared by our
Oklahoma City Office dated May 14, 1957, concerning
captioned matter.

Enclosure

cc Director of Naval Intelligence

(Enclosure)

cc Office of Special Investigations
Air Force

BY COURIER SERVICE
(Enclosure)

BY COURIER SVC.
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cc Assistant Attorney General (Enclosure) (By Form O-6, same
date)
William F. Tompkins

cc Assistant Attorney General (Enclosure) (By Form O-6, same
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TO : Director, FBI 105-34237 Sub-35

DATE: May 14, 1957

FROM *B* SAC, Oklahoma City 105-292

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION
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ReBulet to Atlanta 12/13/56.

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Enclosed is monthly summary concerning
Citizens Councils in this Division. The literature
mentioned in the enclosed memorandum is being retained
in OC file 105-292.

One copy of this memorandum is submitted
for Bufile 105-52777, captioned Citizens Council of
Tulsa, aka, IS-X.

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May 14, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

On May 2, 1957, [redacted]

Tulsa

Oklahoma, [redacted] who resides at [redacted] Tulsa, Oklahoma, volunteered information that a meeting was held on the night of April 25, 1957, by some of the residents in that area to protest and plan action to resist Negroes from moving into the neighborhood. He said that a short time ago a Negro family bought a house in the area, and immediately several other houses, including his own, were put up for sale. He said some residents of the neighborhood who insist that the area will not be taken over by Negroes, have protested to owners who consider selling their houses to Negroes. He said one owner, [redacted] had received an anonymous telephone call threatening him not to sell his house to Negroes.

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[redacted] said he understands the White Council, or an organization with similar name, has entered into the matter and passed out literature at the above mentioned meeting. He further stated that on May 2, 1957, he noticed several signs had been put up in the neighborhood with the wording "7:30 tonight?". He stated he learned that the White Council had planned another meeting for the night of May 2, 1957, and would attempt to scare the Negro family out of the neighborhood.

With reference to the organization he mentioned, he stated that the only person connected with that organization whom he knows by name is one [redacted]

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[redacted] He stated he understands that [redacted] has attended all meetings of the White Council, and knows he was present at the meeting held on April 25, 1957.

[redacted] pointed out that there has been no violence or threat of violence other than the anonymous telephone threat to [redacted] home, and [redacted] believes that such threat could have been made by some unknown person simply to frighten [redacted] and deter him from selling his house to Negroes.

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On May 2, 1957, [redacted] Tulsa, Oklahoma, volunteered the information that the White Council or the Citizens Council, he being uncertain

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as to the name, is now working on the north side of Tulsa, and that it held one meeting at [redacted] within the past two weeks, at which time certain literature was distributed. He exhibited copies of three pieces of literature similar to that distributed, the captions on which were noted to be "The Ugly Truth About the NAACP," "The Citizens Council" and a newspaper entitled "The Citizens Council," which he described as the official paper of the Citizens Council of America, Jackson, Mississippi.

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[redacted] said he has heard that there are two men in Tulsa who are working with and organizing the Citizens Council in this area. He did not know the first names of these men but stated he understood their last names were [redacted]

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On May 11, 1957. [redacted]

[redacted] Oklahoma, voluntarily made available the following letter [redacted]

[redacted] Oklahoma:

"Tulsa, Oklahoma
April 28, 1957

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[Redacted]
"P.S. Substantiating literature enclosed."

The substantiating material that [Redacted] sent
to the [Redacted] consisted of a standard one-sheet
newspaper-size piece of literature entitled [Redacted]
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Date: May 13, 1957

Transmit the following message via A I R T E LAIR MAIL
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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Oklahoma City (105-206)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS -
OKLAHOMA CITY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

At Tulsa, Oklahoma

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Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
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Mr. Nease
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Mr. Holloman
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Place, on 5/9/57 telephonically contacted SA MAX L. GREENSTREET and volunteered the following information:

He [redacted]

colored, is purchasing the property [redacted] b6
 at [redacted] from him. [redacted] b7C
 is the leader of the Citizens Council in that area, opposing the purchase of property in that locality by Negroes. A wooden cross, waist high, was burned on the lawn of the [redacted] b7D
 [redacted] the night of May 8, 1957.

[redacted] was advised that the Bureau could not furnish him police protection. He was further advised that if he desired police protection, he should contact the Tulsa County Attorney and the Chief of Police at Tulsa.

The Tulsa World, daily newspaper, dated May 9, 1957, carried a photograph of the burned cross from the TURNER residence on the first page, and an article about the incident.

the same information to [redacted] on May 10, 1957 furnished substantial [redacted] b6
 [redacted], in the presence of SAs [redacted] and MAX L. GREEN [redacted] b7C
 STREET in [redacted] office. [redacted] also advised that he had conferred with the Mayor of the City of Tulsa and the County Attorney. [redacted] b7D

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[redacted] advised [redacted] that the Tulsa Police Department had been patrolling the area and would arrest anyone committing any local crimes.

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[redacted] subsequently on the same date furnished a copy of a report by Officer [redacted] of the Tulsa PD dated 5/9/57 stating substantially as follows:

A call was received about 9:30 P.M. by the Tulsa PD [redacted] advising that people were walking around in the yard at [redacted] property of [redacted] the complainant, and were congregating next door east. The Tulsa PD located [redacted] white male, age 14, residing [redacted] distributing [redacted] handbills. [redacted] stated he had received \$2.00 for throwing the pamphlets and handbills, from a [redacted]. A man named [redacted] who had been driving [redacted] around in his car, left before the police officers could talk to him.

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The report further stated there were about eight people, both men and women, at the meeting next door east of the [redacted] residence, and after 11:00 P.M. they started leaving, two or three at a time.

One of the pamphlets distributed by [redacted] read as follows: "Is integration un-Godly and unlawful? Hear an authority, GLENN O. YOUNG, noted constitutional lawyer, will discuss this question Friday, May 10th, 7:45 P.M. Educational Building, Cincinnati Avenue Christian Church, 1929 North Cincinnati. Is it legal to organize to protect your own property values?"

[redacted] also furnished a letter containing the printed name of "Association of Citizens Councils of Oklahoma" dated May 3, 1957, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners of Tulsa. This letter substantially read as follows:

On April 29, 1957, a meeting was held at 629 East Young St. to discuss ways and means to deal with Negroes, purchasing property in white districts. The meeting adjourned about 10:00 P.M. and while some of the men were on their way home and had stopped to further discuss the issues, three cars of police appeared and abused the men and threatened to arrest and put them in jail, although they were not disturbing anybody in any way. The police stayed all night in the neighborhood, using spot lights and further abusing the people. The gathering was lawful and no

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disturbance or any intent to cause any disturbance and without cause or reason your police saw fit to make any kinds of threats to arrest and jail members on their way. We call your attention to this matter fully convinced, in fact we know, it is uncalled for and we desire to know that it is to be the policy or attitude of your city and police force against lawful gatherings. We think such interference with private gatherings and molestation of members on their way home by your police force is uncalled for and should be prohibited. We hope and believe you will give this your careful and prompt attention.

This letter was signed Association of Citizens Council by [redacted] [initials]

There is enclosed pamphlet entitled "The Citizens' Council" which was being distributed by [redacted] and news article appearing in Tulsa Daily World, newspaper, May 10, 1957, entitled "Fiery Cross Stirs Probe".

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No active investigation is being conducted by the Oklahoma City Office. The Bureau will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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RE: CITIZENS COUNCILS -
OKLAHOMA CITY
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ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU: Pamphlet entitled "The Citizens' Council";
Newspaper article from the Tulsa Daily
World entitled "Fiery Cross Stirs Probe".

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How Will the Citizens' Councils
Roll Back the Dark Cloud of Integration?

By organizing the white Americans who have pride in their white race and fore-thought for their posterity, by mobilizing public opinion.

We must organize every town and county in our state and then every state in the south. Forty million white southerners, or a fraction thereof, can be a power in this nation if properly organized and certainly need not fear the NAACP, with only 200,000 members.

Our southland by every material line of reasoning should already be a land of mulattoes. Eighty years ago our unconquerable ancestors were beaten, in poverty and degradation, unable to vote and under the heel of negro occupation troops. All they had was their undying courage and faith that the Almighty helps those who help themselves. Are we less than they? Our situation is not as hopeless as theirs, but just as insidious and deadly to our posterity if you and I do nothing. What decision are you going to make for those baby children at home?

The highest type of leadership has been provided in each community where councils have been formed. We intend to prevent integration legally and thus prevent violence, friction and racial hatred. We intend to carry on the peaceful relations we have had with our colored citizens, to help them to help themselves and to try to help instill in them a sense of pride in their race as we have in ours.

Either we will all stay white together or we will be integrated county by county and state by state. Are you doing your part? There is nothing more important at this time.

JOIN THE CITIZENS' COUNCIL

CITIZENS' COUNCIL

P. O. Box 1644

Tulsa, Oklahoma

ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR THE TRIUMPH OF
EVIL IS THAT GOOD MEN DO NOTHING!

THE CITIZENS' COUNCIL

P. O. BOX 1644

TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Dedicated to the maintenance of Peace, Good Order
and Domestic Tranquility in our Communities and in
our State and to the preservation of our State's Rights.

105-34237-35-7

The CITIZENS' COUNCIL is the modern version of the old-time town meeting called to meet any crisis by expressing the will of the people. The right to peaceably assemble to petition for a redress of our grievances is guaranteed in the first one of our Bill of Rights in the Constitution of the United States of America. The only reliable prophet for the future is the past, and history proves that the Supreme Power in the government of men has always been public sentiment. The CITIZENS' COUNCIL simply provides the machinery for mobilizing,concerting, and expressing public opinion.

Our councils are independent groups located within the towns and counties of our state. The local officers are chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and Treasurer. Each council has four basic committees:

1. *INFORMATION and EDUCATION* — This committee seeks information pertaining to racial problems from all over our nation. It presents to the people within its community the truth about the racial questions, thereby nullifying the propaganda from alien influences and pressure groups. Its job is to convince all of our people of the advantages of segregation and the dangers of integration.

2. *POLITICAL and ELECTIONS* — This committee studies candidates for local and state elections and presents their qualifications to the voters. It attempts to get candidates to voice their opinion on vital subjects prior to election. It can reach each voter personally to present the truth on all matters to the people. It is our belief that an interested, informed people who vote intelligently is the only means we have of perpetuating our constitutional republic.

3. *MEMBERSHIP and FINANCE* — This committee enlists all patriotic white citizens for membership, thus assuring your local organization of the support of public opinion and also financial means with which to operate. Thus far, nearly all of the local organizations have set their annual dues at \$6.00 per member. Every white southerner should be proud to pay this amount in our battle for state's rights and the individual right to educate his children with children of his own kind. It is a fundamental right for every American to have pride in his race and to avoid conditions

that might foster and promote intermarriage of his children with other races.

4. *LEGAL ADVISORY* — This committee provides the legal knowledge that will aid us to achieve our aims by constitutional lawful means. If the way of life of forty million people supported by over a century of precedence and practice can be upset legally by nine political appointees, surely legal steps can be taken by a determined majority to correct this grievance. It anticipates moves by agitators and devises legal means for the solution of any racial problems that might arise locally.

Why Does Your Community Need a Citizens' Council?

Maybe your community has had no racial problems! This may be true; however, you may not have a fire, yet you maintain a fire department. You can depend on one thing: The NAACP (National Association for the Agitation of Colored People), aided by alien influences, bloc vote seeking politicians and left-wing do-gooders, will see that you have a problem in the near future.

The CITIZENS' COUNCIL is the south's answer to the mongrelizers. WE WILL NOT BE INTEGRATED! We are proud of our white blood and our white heritage of sixty centuries.

Already the southern states are highly organized with active CITIZENS' COUNCILS. Oklahoma is now organizing. We intend to re-establish the White Christian Majority. We intend to put a stop to communism and all other foreign isms. We shall not rest until the HOLY BIBLE is, once again, THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND.

The fate of our great nation may well rest in the hands of the southern white people today. If we submit to this unconstitutional, judge-made integration law, the malignant powers of atheism, communism and mongrelization will surely follow, not only in our southland but throughout our nation. To falter would be tragic; to fail would be fatal. The white people of the South will again stand fast and preserve an unsullied race as our forefathers did eighty years ago.

WE WILL NOT BE INTEGRATED,
EITHER SUDDENLY OR GRADUALLY



—World Staff Photo

Fiery Cross Seized

A flimsy cross set afire in the front yard of a northside home was seized by police Wednesday night without any commotion. It was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Turner, Negroes, of 507 Zion St., in a predominantly white residential area. Shown with the cross was confiscated is Sgt. Louis Skinner.

FIERY CROSS STIRS PROBE

Incident on E. Zion St. Investigated by Police

A small fiery cross—reminiscent of the Ku Klux Klan days here a few decades ago—blazed on a northside lawn Wednesday night.

Police, who responded quickly and took the cross to headquarters, said there was no disturbance and no one was seen at the place.

The cross, about 4 feet high and some 3 feet across, had been wrapped with cloth and soaked with some fuel. It was stuck into the ground and lighted.

Sgt. Louis Skinner, who investigated, said the flimsy cross was set in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. John Turner at 507 E. Zion St. about 10:30 p.m.

"Mrs. Turner was at home and told me she looked out and saw the cross burning and then called police," Skinner said.

Skinner said the Turners, who are Negroes, recently moved into the house in a neighborhood predominately white.

Skinner said that 2 weeks ago police disbanded a group of white men who were going "to talk to a Negro family" in the 2300 block N. Garrison Ave.

Police Chief George O'Neal said an investigation is continuing into the affair and declared, "We will enforce the law to prevent as far as possible any such occurrences."

He said that there was no evidence yet who set the cross and felt that it was "an isolated case" but that his department is remaining vigilant.

Tulsa Daily World,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
May 10, 1957

Citizens Councils of Okla.

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Date: June 7, 1957

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

There is being furnished you herewith for
your information a copy of a memorandum dated May 24,
1957, prepared by the Oklahoma City Office of this
Bureau concerning the captioned matter.

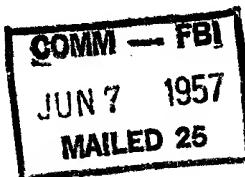
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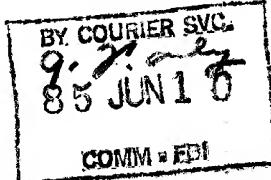


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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI 105-34237 Sub 35

DATE: May 24, 1957

FROM : SAC, Oklahoma City 105-292

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OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION
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ReBulet to Atlanta 12/13/56, OC let to Bureau 5/14/57 and OC airtel to Bureau 5/13/57 captioned CITIZENS COUNCILS, OKLAHOMA CITY, IS-X.

Referenced OC airtel 5/13/57 placed in closed OC file 105-206 does not comply with instructions contained in ReBulet to Atlanta 12/13/56. Information appearing in OC airtel 5/13/57 is being incorporated in memorandum form as previously instructed, which is herewith enclosed. This information is in addition to that already submitted in OC let to Bureau 5/14/57 captioned as above.

The Bureau will note from enclosed memorandum that it contains information which involves violation of Federal Statute within jurisdiction of the FBI. It is being handled in accordance with the existing instructions relating to the Extortion Statute. These cases are being investigated under captions of UNSUB; VICTIM, EXTORTION, OC file 9-900; and UNSUB; VICTIM, EXTORTION, OC file 9-902.

One copy of this memorandum is submitted for Bufile 105-52777, captioned CITIZENS COUNCIL OF TULSA, aka, IS-X.

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May 24, 1957

CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

On May 9, 1957, [redacted]
[redacted] Tulsa, Oklahoma volunteered
the following information [redacted] advised he owns
[redacted] both Tulsa,
Oklahoma. [redacted] is purchasing the property at
[redacted] from him. [redacted] Tulsa,
is a leader of the Citizens Council in that area, opposing
the purchase of property in that locality by Negroes. A
wooden cross, waist-high, was burned on the lawn of the
[redacted] home at [redacted] the night of May 8, 1957.

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The Tulsa World, a Tulsa, Oklahoma, daily
newspaper, dated May 9, 1957, carried a photograph of the
burned cross from the TURNER residence on the first page
and a brief article about the incident.

[redacted] further stated on May 10, 1957,
he furnished the same information as above to Chief of
Detectives [redacted] Tulsa Police Department, and he
added he had also conferred with the Mayor of the city of
Tulsa and the County Attorney. [redacted] further
advised Detective [redacted] advised him that the Tulsa
Police Department had been patrolling the area and would
arrest anyone committing any local crimes.

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On May 9, 1957, Detective [redacted] furnished
voluntarily a copy of a Tulsa police report made by Officer
[redacted] of the Tulsa Police Department, which is as follows:

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"A call was received about 9:30 p.m. by the
Tulsa Police Department advising that people were walking
around in the yard at [redacted] property of [redacted]
the complainant, and were congregating next door east.
The Tulsa Police Department located [redacted] white
male, age 14, residing [redacted] distributing
handbills. [redacted] stated he had received \$2.00 for
throwing the pamphlets and handbills, from a [redacted]
at [redacted] A man named [redacted] who had been
driving [redacted] around in his car, left before the police
officers could talk to him.

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"There were about eight people, both men and women, at the meeting next door east of the [redacted] residence, and after 11:00 p.m. they started leaving, two or three at a time."

One of the pamphlets distributed by [redacted] read as follows: "Is integration un-Godly and unlawful? Hear an authority, GLENN O. YOUNG, noted constitutional lawyer, will discuss this question Friday, May 10th, 7:45 p.m., Educational Building, Cincinnati Avenue Christian Church, 1929 North Cincinnati. Is it legal to organize to protect your own property values?"

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Detective [redacted] also furnished a letter containing the printed name of "Association of Citizens Councils of Oklahoma" dated May 3, 1957, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Board of Commissioners of Tulsa. [redacted] signed Association of Citizens Councils by [redacted] This letter substantially read as follows:

"On April 29, 1957, a meeting was held at 629 East Young St. to discuss ways and means to deal with Negroes, purchasing property in white districts. The meeting adjourned about 10:00 p.m. and while some of the men were on their way home and had stopped to further discuss the issues, three cars of police appeared and abused the men and threatened to arrest and put them in jail, although they were not disturbing anybody in any way. The police stayed all night in the neighborhood, using spot lights and further abusing the people. The gathering was lawful and no disturbance or any intent to cause any disturbance and without cause or reason your police saw fit to make all kinds of threats to arrest and jail members on their way. We call your attention to this matter fully convinced, in fact we know, it is uncalled for and we desire to know that it is to be the policy or attitude of your city and police force against lawful gatherings. We think such interference with private gatherings and molestation of members on their way home by your police force is uncalled for and should be prohibited. We hope and believe you will give this your careful and prompt attention."

On May 20, 1957, [redacted]
St., Tulsa, Oklahoma, received the following letter:

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"You have had wone warning. Now why dont you move out of the white negborhood. i think most of the Collard pepol want to be to there selfs and we do too and now it is up to you. You can be Blowed up any time. it may take a Mo or a year. The ploce cant watch you all the time and the Communist dont give a Dam what hapens to you. So Pleas get out and save us Booth troble for it is sure to come."

[redacted] who on May 14, 1957, moved into a white neighborhood in Tulsa, Oklahoma, received the following unsigned letter on May 20, 1957:

"Just a notice - Plear move out of the white distric as we want to be to ourselfs. and i think most of the collored people want to be to thereselfs. But the Damn Comenest don't to have it that way. The Ploice can't help you all the year arond. Your place can be blowed up any time. Maby this weak or later on if it takes a year to do it. But it will be done so plear save us all troble and them we will win."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (105-206)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

DATE: 10-29-57

ReBulet to Atlanta dated 10-9-57

Former PSI [redacted] who occasionally furnishes information of interest to the Bureau on a strictly voluntary basis advised on 10-23-57 that he contacted GORDON HINES on that date to offer his condolences upon the death of HINES' wife. HINES was the executive director of the Oklahoma Association of Citizens Councils at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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[redacted] who is considered by HINES, as one of the [redacted] of the Citizens Council stated HINES told him "there just hasn't been any activity of the council". According to [redacted] HINES left the impression that the organization, due to lack of activity, is now defunct. [redacted] pointed out that [redacted] was also visiting HINES at the time [redacted] appeared to pay his condolences. [redacted] was HINES' closest associate in the Council and [redacted] when the council was active, has made substantial monetary contributions to help the Citizens Council carry on its intended function, however, HINES told [redacted] that he and [redacted] are now in a joint business venture selling portable tornado warning devices, [redacted] being the manufacturer and HINES being the promotor and salesman.

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No efforts were made by this office to have [redacted] maintain future contact with HINES concerning the Citizens Council. [redacted] voluntarily stated he would furnish any information to this office in the event he learned that the Citizens Council in Oklahoma City should reactivate.

There has been no recent items appearing in the local press concerning the Citizens Council in Oklahoma City and the information that has appeared has been furnished to the Bureau in previous reports.

Efforts are being made in accordance with instructions contained in referenced letter to ascertain degree of activity of the Tulsa, Oklahoma unit of the Citizens Council which at this writing is not known whether it still functions as it did at least until May of 1957. No information appears in the Oklahoma City file concerning the Tulsa council since that time.

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In view of the fact there is no apparent activity of the Citizens Council at Oklahoma City, this office will be particularly alert for information appearing in the public press or through information which may be volunteered and report same if such information should result in violence in connection with any integration problem that might arise.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC OKLAHOMA CITY

Your file 105-292

DATE: 12/19/57

FROM : Director, FBI

(Bufile and serial 105-34237-35-10)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
IS-X

Office of Origin:

1. () The deadline in this case has passed and the Bureau has not received a report. You are instructed to submit a report immediately. In the event a report has been submitted, you should make a notation of the date on which it was submitted on this letter and return it to the Bureau, Room No. 1704.

Report submitted _____

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Report will be submitted on or before 12/29/57

Reason for delay _____

2. () Advise Bureau re status of this case.

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3. () Advise Bureau when report may be expected.

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4. (X) Surep immediately. ReBulet dated 11/6/57.

(Place your reply on this form and return to the Bureau. Note on the top serial in the case file the receipt and acknowledgment of this communication.)

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SAC, Oklahoma City (105-292)

November 6, 1957

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CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Reurlet dated October 30, 1957

Bufiles contain no information concerning [redacted]. Authority is granted to make an initial contact with [redacted] for the purpose of determining his potentiality and willingness to serve as a source concerning citizens councils. It should be explained to [redacted] that the Bureau is not interested in the activities of citizens councils as such but is interested solely in information regarding the potential for violence and violations of laws over which the Bureau has jurisdiction, particularly those involving possible civil rights violations.

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Additional background concerning [redacted] should be obtained and furnished the Bureau. In this regard you are referred to Section 107C of the Manual of Instructions.

[redacted] furnish Bureau results of contact with [redacted] and recommendations for additional action.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

[redacted]
in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is not a member of the citizens council in Tulsa but is in a position to furnish information concerning racial activities and has indicated a willingness to furnish such information. No record of [redacted] located in Oklahoma City files.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (105-34237)

FROM : SAC, Oklahoma City (105-292)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION
IS-X

DATE: October 30, 1957

Reurlet 10/9/57.

Permission is requested to contact [redacted]
[redacted] or the
[redacted] in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

[redacted] resides at [redacted] Oklahoma.
He is [redacted]
Building, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

[redacted] is not a member or officer of the Citizens Council in Tulsa but has been contacted several times by Council leaders objecting to the Urban League being included in the organizations benefitting financially from the Community Chest and United Fund Drives.

[redacted] is trustworthy and has indicated a willingness to furnish information concerning the Citizens Council on a confidential basis to the Bureau.

It is recommended that permission be granted to contact [redacted] pursuant to referenced Bureau letter.

Oklahoma City indices negative.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI 105-34237-35

DATE: December 26, 1957

FROM : SAC, Oklahoma City 105-292

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SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

BeBulet 11/6/57.

The following investigation was conducted at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on December 9, 1957, by SA MAX L. GREENSTREET.

advised that [redacted] has an excellent credit record and is well regarded. He is [redacted] of the [redacted] since 1951. He was previously employed by [redacted]

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[redacted] Records Section, Tulsa Police Department; and [redacted] Identification Officer, Tulsa County Sheriff's Office, both advised [redacted] has no record with their departments.

[redacted], was contacted and the Bureau's position with respect to the Citizens Councils, as set forth in relet, was explained.

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[redacted] stated he was the past [redacted] of the Tulsa [redacted] and while acting as [redacted] the Citizens Council of Tulsa did object to the Urban League being a recipient of the fund, but to his knowledge there has been no potential violence or violations over which the Bureau has jurisdiction.

[redacted] advised the fund drive is now over and he has returned to the [redacted]. He does not anticipate any further contact with the Citizens Council and will no longer be in a position to obtain information concerning this matter.

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Since [redacted] is not in a position to obtain information with respect to the Citizens Council, it is recommended that he no longer be considered as a source.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-245) (RM) *FD 217
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12/22/58*SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
TULSA, OKLAHOMA
IS - X

On 11/28/58 [redacted] Tulsa, Okla., informed SA DAILE H. WILLIAMS that a White Citizens Council is active in Tulsa, Okla. and that the [redacted]

[redacted] into the organization, without the true identity of the [redacted] being known to the organization. He advised the [redacted] member of the [redacted] of the [redacted] who joined the Citizens Council under the name of [redacted] or [redacted] and who has been [redacted] of the Council. [redacted] stated [redacted] files a report with the Police Department setting forth the names of the members of the Council and a report of their activities. [redacted] stated there has been no discussion of violence at any one of the meetings and that he is of the opinion the movement is dying out since there were only 17 people at the last meeting.

[redacted] advised that the reports in this matter are maintained by him personally in his confidential file and that copies of the reports will be made available to the FBI if desired.

This office will make arrangements with [redacted] to obtain copies of the reports submitted by [redacted]. No investigation of the Citizens Council will be conducted and the Bureau will be advised of any information obtained indicating the Council is advocating the use of violence in any manner.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-34237)

DATE: 12/7/62

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93 FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (105-292) (C)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COUNCILS
RACIAL MATTERS

ReBuairtel to Atlanta, 11/20/62.

A review of the files of the Oklahoma City Office reflects no information indicating Citizens Councils are currently active in the State of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City files reflect that in 1956 the Oklahoma Association of Citizens' Councils held meetings in Oklahoma City and GORDON HINES was Executive Director of this organization. The last report concerning this organization was submitted by SA CHARLES E. BRUNNER dated 11/5/56 at Oklahoma City captioned "Oklahoma Association of Citizens' Councils, aka, IS - X." (Bufile 105-41923)

On 10/23/57, former PSI [redacted] advised that GORDON HINES informed him there was no activity of the Oklahoma Association of Citizens' Councils at that time and left the impression that the organization, due to lack of activity, was then defunct.

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The files of the Oklahoma City Office contain no information indicating the Oklahoma Association of Citizens' Councils has been active in Oklahoma City since late 1956.

On 12/4/62, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the Citizens Council had been active in Oklahoma City in about 1956 and the person responsible for the organization was GORDON HINES, who moved to Denver, Colorado, in about 1958 and later died. Informant advised the Citizens Council ceased activity after 1956 in Oklahoma City.

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The report of SA MAX L. GREENSTREET dated 12/31/56 at Oklahoma City, captioned Citizens Council of Tulsa, aka, IS - X" (Bufile 105-52777), reflects that organization existed in Tulsa, Oklahoma, under the chairmanship of [redacted]. Information received from the Tulsa Police Department reflected the Citizens Council of Tulsa held several meetings in October and November, 1958, under the leadership of [redacted]. No information has been received indicating the Citizens Council of Tulsa has been active since 1958.

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On 12/4/62, Officer [redacted] Tulsa [redacted] ment, who joined the Citizens Council of Tulsa in October, 1958, as an [redacted] advised that after about November, 1958, no further meetings of the Tulsa Citizens Council were held and that, to his knowledge, the organization is no longer in existence.

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